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John Ashcroft, Attorney General

I think that it is downright sinful the way the government is persuing Microsoft. I see it as just another case of jealousy on the part of the competion, with the government acting as "Big Brother" to keep the bully from getting any bigger. We consumers don't need "protection" from Microsoft. We come closer to needing protection from the Government. I think that there is a lot of truth to that line I heard some time ago, and it goes like this. " If Bill Gates had contributed more money to Bill Clinton's political war chest, there would not be a lawsuit in progress at this time.

The states that are backing this suit are just looking for money, and that is all there is to it. They didn't deserve any money from the Tabocco settlement, and they don't deserve any from this.